

HIDDEN GEMS AND FORGOTTEN PEOPLE

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JOHNSTOWN OLD COTTAGES

In the centre of the village of Johnstown stand a group of six old cottages. They were built in the early 19th century in the ‘Gothic Revival’ style and were originally estate cottages attached to the local Palmerstown demesne belonging to the Earls of Mayo.

They are referred to in William Makepeace Thackeray’s ‘Irish Sketch Book’ of 1842 where he commends “Lord Mayo’s fine domain, where the houses are of the Gothic sort, with pretty porches, creepers and railings”

All of the cottages, which have been carefully preserved, are still lived in today.